



TICKET SALES START . . . Mrs. R. G. Miller, assistant ticket chairman, distributes "Treasure Chest" duquets to Mrs. John Melville, president (right) while Rosemary (Mrs. John Shidler) DeCamp stands by ready to give the president a stack of dance duquets. Both sets of tabs are for the annual Valentine Ball to be staged by the Torrance Memorial Hospital Auxiliary Feb. 13 at the Hollywood Riviera Clubhouse, with the awarding of \$500 to climax the evening. Tickets may be obtained from any member of the Auxiliary. (Herald photo).

For 1954 Viellenaves Take Highest Offices in Eastern Star

Florence Viellenave and her husband, Vincent Viellenave, will lead Torrance Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, as worthy matron and worthy patron, respectively, in 1954.

Elected at last Thursday night's meeting at the Masonic Temple on Sartori Ave., the duo will be assisted by Phyllis Peverley, associate matron; Earl Wells, associate patron; Vivian Cook, secretary; Margaret Raymond, treasurer; Dorothy Moore, conductress; and Joyce Miller, associate conductress.

Admission of two new candidates, with dual membership in Canada, also highlighted the evening. The new members are Marguerite and Edward Morgan.

Included on the honor guest list were Olive Hunter, grand lecturer from the State of Illinois, her husband, and Edna Babcock, deputy grand matron for 1953. Mrs. Hunter lectured on the differences in the work of California and Illinois during Good of the Order.

Pyraeantha berries set the decorative motif in the banquet hall for the refreshment hour following the ceremonies. Rose Schmidt, chairman, was assisted with arrangements by Jane Stamper and Mavis Cook.

25 MYF'ERS ENJOY COSTUME PARTY

About 25 young people dressed up in costume for Halloween fun recently when the Methodist Youth Fellowship gathered at the home of Martha Wallace.

Capturing prizes for the best costumes were Bill Harlicker, Mary Lou Hutchison, Janice Crabtree, Sharon Kirks, and Edward Hutchison.

MYF meets every Sunday at 6:30 p.m. at the First Methodist Church, and any youth interested is invited to come. Anabel Glasson, publicity chairman, said.

Local Ladies Exercise for 'Fine Forms'

In these times when fashion model slenderness is touted, women are more than ever figure-conscious, and two feminine groups here have decided to do something about their forms.

One group, organized under the name "Y-Wives," devotes an hour every Friday morning to modern dance instruction under Miss Ann Douglas at the YWCA. Learning the dance rhythms involves all kinds of figure-building and muscle-toning exercises, and the dancing itself helps the gals relieve muscular tension and gain more grace in movement.

The other group, composed of Hollywood Riviera women, meets nearly every morning at various homes for a vigorous routine of exercises from "fanny walks" to reduce the hips and bending and stretching for a more supple waistline to lifting "dumb bells" for greater arm strength and an improved bustline.

Planned for figure-improvement and muscle tone, the exercises are so simple even the pregnant woman can participate, the enthusiasts claim (see example in photo).

Anyone wishing to join the "Y-Wives" dancing sessions may call FAirfax 8-5914 for further information; other exercise-minded damsels who would like to join the "fresh air" group may call Mrs. Bill Miller at FRontier 8-4488.

Council PTA Plans Session

Mrs. J. Paul Elliott, junior past president of Tenth District PTA, will be guest speaker tomorrow when the Gardena-Willington Council PTA holds a luncheon meeting at the Rosecrans Recreation Center in Gardena.

Judging of membership posters submitted by unit PTAs also will highlight the session, with first, second, third, and honorary ribbons being awarded in two categories, general membership and child appeal. Each elementary school having 100 per cent faculty membership will receive a special parchment award.

Mrs. Michael Foxhoven, president, will conduct the business session, while members of the 135th St. PTA will be hostesses for the social hour to follow.

Seaside PTA Honors Dads This Evening

Dads will be honored guests when Seaside PTA holds its regular monthly meeting tonight at 7:30 o'clock in the school auditorium. Mrs. Charles G. Nollenberger, press chairman, announced this week.

Problems of Community Growth," a talk by Emmett Ingram, will highlight the program, which also will feature a skit by Jeff Olsen's eighth grade class, a solo by Lloyd Jones, school vice-principal; and community singing conducted by Jones. Childcare will be provided.

Plans for the meeting were charted last Thursday by executive board members, who also heard carnival and membership drive reports. The carnival netted over \$500, Mrs. W. C. Strittmatter, ways and means chairman, revealed, and when the campaign was over, the PTA had a total of 818 new names on the membership roster. Mrs. Eugene Courtney, membership chairman, announced.

Other board business included the ratification of Lloyd Jones to fill the music chairmanship vacated by Mrs. C. H. Mewborn and the naming of Mrs. T. S. Bardeen as courtesy chairman.

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MISS ZELDIA YVONNE BOURNE
... Reveals Engagement

Hearts Tell Nuptial Plans Of Miss Bourne, J. Gates

Two hearts inscribed with the names of the affianced couple and pierced with an arrow told the engagement story Sunday of Miss Zeldia Yvonne Bourne to James Alton Gates Jr.

The hearts were the central decorative motif on a huge sheet cake getting feature table attention at a formal tea held at the home of the bride-elect's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Bourne, 1453 W. 216th St., to announce the forthcoming nuptials. The young couple, both graduates of Torrance High School, will exchange vows Jan. 17 at ceremonies in the First Baptist Church here. Miss Bourne, who also attended Metropolitan Business College in Los Angeles, currently is employed at Pacific Telephone Company in Los Angeles. Her fiance, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Gates, 1828 Crunshaw Blvd., is combining studies at El Camino College with work at Torrance National Bank. He served two years with the Army Air Force, including 17 months of Korean duty, and is a member of the local Toastmasters Club.

For the Sunday event, the bride-to-be chose a blue taffeta strapless gown sparkling with butterfly sequins and topped with a tiny lace bolero. Her mother was gowned in rose-colored lace while her future mother-in-law chose a brown lace over beige fallie gown.

Assisting at the tea table were Mesdames Don Stevenson, Wendell Walker, and Jack Flewelling, gowned in lemon yellow, fawn tan, and champagne formals, respectively.

About 150 guests signed the register supervised by Miss Annelle Walker, who chose a lime green formal for the occasion. Miss Bourne revealed the romantic news a second time by passing chocolates to sister members of the Margaret Condon Circle Tuesday evening when Miss Juandell Muncy hosted the group at her 2785 Gramercy Ave. home. Other pre-nuptial events will compliment the bride-to-be in the near future.

Saturday Dance to Give Xmas Cheer

Christmas cheer, the amount of which will depend on the success of the affair, will be spread by the International Women's Club through a dance planned for next Saturday night, Nov. 14, at the Elks Club in Compton.

"All proceeds will be used to buy baskets of groceries for needy families at Christmas and to stage a Yule party for less fortunate children," Mrs. Thomas Clinkenbeard, president, said. Tickets, at \$1 per person, may be obtained at the door the night of the event or by calling either Mrs. Clinkenbeard at FAirfax 8-4710 or Mrs. Howard Bingham at NWmark 1-4617. The club still is inviting foreign-born young women to join its ranks. Mrs. Clinkenbeard reported. The club meets twice monthly at 7:30 p.m. at the Compton Community Center, and anyone desiring further information may contact the persons listed above.

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"YOU NEED THIS HAT . . . to complete your costume," Mrs. Eugene L. Byrd Jr. tells Mrs. Alan L. McLaren as she poses in an aqua knit suit while Jean Veverka, seated at left, takes notes on the ensemble and Mrs. James W. Boegh lends a critical eye to the proceedings. Both Mesdames Byrd and McLaren will model "around the clock" styles in next Wednesday's fashion show, to be staged by Riviera PTA at Portuguese Bend Clubhouse. Mrs. Veverka will be commentator for the show, while Mrs. Boegh is general chairman. (Herald photo)

Deadline for BPW Dinner Sign-ups Told

All reservations for next Monday night's dinner meeting of the Business and Professional Women's Club must be in by tomorrow evening. Chairman Jean Davis announced yesterday.

Reservations may be made by calling Evelyn Lynch at FAirfax 8-1499 during the day or Virginia Beck at FAirfax 8-5241 during the evening.

Over 70 club members already have signed up for the affair, which will begin at the Maison Gaston in Los Angeles at 7 p.m., Mrs. Davis said. Mrs. Margaret Dobrick, first president of the club, heads the honored guest list, which also includes Polly Allison, state health and safety chairman; Cravens Douglas, emblem chairman; and Arvilla Owens, past section chairman of the proposed junior auxiliaries.

Feature address of the evening will be given by Mrs. Allison. Assisting Mrs. Davis with arrangements are Addie Parks, Maud Fraser, Laddie Johnson, and Lella Coddington.

Harbor PTA Collects Over \$300 for Chest

Annual Community Chest drive is off to a great start in Harbor City, PTA executives learned last Wednesday when they met at the school cafeteria.

Over 40 PTA workers have assisted in collecting funds for the Red Feather agency. Mrs. Ray Groover, residential division chairman, revealed. The "C" group, headed by Mrs. Leland Van Buren, has collected \$108.65 and the "A" group, headed by Mrs. E. Snow, has collected \$237.82 to date, the chairman reported.

Also highlighting the session were a report on school needs by Mrs. Avis Creech, principal, and the ratification of Mmes. Robert Kinsey and G. S. Anderson as art and Red Cross chairmen, respectively.

The Association will hold its next regular meeting at 7:15 p.m. next Thursday, Nov. 19, at the school auditorium. Mrs. Julia Bush, kindergarten teacher, will take a program spotlight, singing several songs.

Rivierans Take Spotlight in Fashion Show

In fashion spotlight next Wednesday, Nov. 18, will be a number of Riviera women, all showing the latest styles during a tea to be sponsored by the Riviera PTA at Portuguese Bend Clubhouse.

Included among models for the 1:30 p.m. affair, Mrs. Henry A. Graef, publicity chairman, said, will be Mesdames Eugene L. Byrd, Alan L. McLaren, Lelf A. Egaas, Donald Hauser, Morrison Hornbeck, George Creighton, and Carl Conant.

Jean Veverka will do the narration for the "around the clock" costumes, furnished through the courtesy of a Manhattan Beach shop. Mrs. James W. Boegh is handling all arrangements with the assistance of Peter Breen, Mrs. Joseph Work, and Mrs. Hauser.

Tickets may be obtained from any member of the PTA, Mrs. Graef said.

Distaff Side of Torrance Uses Morning to 'Tone up' Muscles and 'Feel Fit!'



RHYTHM'S THE RAGE . . . Miss Ann Douglas gives Dorothy (Mrs. Bob) Waters and Joan (Mrs. David) Cook pointers on the part the hands play in a hula dance, while Lois (Mrs. Robert) Bowen does a knee-flexing exercise.



FRESH AIR FUN . . . Doing regular morning exercises are, center front, left to right, Madeleine (Mrs. Louis) Gauthey and Marlon (Mrs. Pete) Steed; at each side Patricia (Mrs. Ernest) D'Attri and Susie (Mrs. Luther) Wallace; left to right, Hulda (Mrs. Emil) Huskamp; Virginia (Mrs. Don) Dutwiler; Polly (Mrs. Dick) Edwards, Florence (Mrs. Bill) Miller, and Mary (Mrs. Bradford) Davis. (Herald photo)